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THE MEADOWS

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QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

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THIS DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS AND COVENANTS, made this 31 day of "Declarant").

RECITALS

- 1. Declarant is the owner of Lots 3 through 17 inclusive, shown and described on a plat entitled "Final Plat for The Meadows in the Town of Church Hill, Second Election District, Queen Anne's County, Maryland", prepared by McCrone, dated November 2005, and recorded among the Plat Records of Queen Anne's County in Plat Book 36, folio 29A, and by virtue of a Deed to Declarant dated December 28, 2005, and recorded among the Land Records of Queen Anne's County in Liber SM 1498, folio 126.
- 2. Declarant has formulated and intends to place in effect a general plan or scheme of development for the orderly, efficient and harmonious utilization of the aforedescribed lots, which Lots shall henceforth be known as "The Meadows", in order to preserve the value and amenities of said lots.
- 3. The success of such plan depends upon the lots being made subject to the several covenants, agreements, restrictions, easements, conditions and charges hereinafter set forth, all of which are for the benefit of the property and the owners of the different lots.
- 4. Declarant intends for the aforesaid reasons and purposes, to subject said lots of land, to all the hereinafter stated covenants, agreements, restrictions and charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS AND COVENANTS, WITNESSETH, that Declarant does hereby create, declare, establish and impose the following covenants, agreements, restrictions, conditions and charges to run with and bind the aforesaid lots known as "The Meadows" as shown on the plats described in Recital 1 above.

ARTICLE I

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- 1. Definitions. Whenever used in this Declaration, the following: 2771 definitions shall apply, unless a contrary intention is clearly evidence from the context:
- (a) The word "person" shall include individuals, co-partnerships, associations, incorporations, trusts and any other legal entity, the single shall include the plural, and the masculine the feminine and the neuter as the context may require.
- (b) The word "owner" means the person owning the record fee simple title to one of the aforedescribed lots, including any contract purchaser, but not including mortgagee or other holder of a similar security interest.

(c) The words "The Meadows" or "Plat" mean the plats described in Recital 1 hereof, and any amendments or revisions thereof which may hereafter be recorded among said land records;

ARTICLE II

- 1. Architectural Control. Except for construction or development done by Declarant or done for the purpose of proper maintenance and repair, no building or structure, including additions or accessories thereto, including, without limitation, dwellings, garages, dog kennels, fences, walls, swimming pools, tennis courts, exterior lighting, screens, awnings, patio covers, sidewalks, curb and gutters, patios, balconies, porches, driveways and signs, shall be commenced, constructed, erected, moved, removed or maintained, nor shall an addition to, change or alteration (including change of color of any exterior part), be made until the written and printed plans and specifications showing the location (by survey), nature, shape, height, type of construction, materials, floor plan, color scheme, topography and any other information specified by the Architectural Review Committee shall have been submitted to and approved in writing as to safety, harmony of exterior design, color, and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography, and conformity with the design concept of the community by an Architectural Review Committee. This approval shall be obtained prior to any building permit application being filed with the Church Hill Town Office.
- 2. Architectural Review Committee. The Architectural Review Committee shall be composed of three (3) persons, and the following persons are designated as the initial members: Robert R. Price, III, Michael J. Bozek, and Ronald E. VanCulin. Each initial member

shall serve until the last lot is sold by Declarant.

Upon the last lot being sold by Declarant, the owners of the lots within the community, by majority vote of the lot owners present at a meeting to be called by the Declarant, shall elect the members of the Architectural Review Committee, who shall serve five (5) year terms of office or until their successors are elected. Owner(s) of a lot within The Meadows shall have one vote per vacancy for each lot owned. The affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Architectural Review Committee shall be required in order to adopt or promulgate any rule or regulation, or to make any finding, determination, ruling or order, or to issue any consent, authorization or approval pursuant to this Declaration.

Any person elected to fill a vacancy created by the resignation or death of a member of the Architectural Review Committee shall serve the unexpired term of that member.

3. Plans and Specifications. The approved plans and specifications shall be deposited among the permanent records of the Architectural Review Committee, and a copy hearing such written approval shall be returned to the owner. In the event the Architectural Review Committee fails to approve or disapprove any plans and specifications within sixty (60) days of their receipt, together with all other materials and information it may require, then the Architectural Review Committee shall be deemed to have approved such plans and specifications, and this Article complied with.

4. Limitations. Any approval given hereunder shall be null and void unless construction is commenced within six (6) months of the date of such approval, and shall be substantially completed including driveways and seeding of areas disturbed during construction within eighteen (18) months following the date of commencement, or within such other period as the Architectural Review Committee shall specify in writing; provided, however, that the time for completion shall be extended commensurate with the period of interruption of construction caused by war, acts of God, strikes, labor disputes or other matters beyond the control of the owner. In the event construction is not commenced within the period aforesaid, then approval of plans and specifications by the Architectural Review Committee shall be deemed to have lapsed and compliance with all of the provisions of this Article II shall again be required.

There shall be no deviation from the plans and specifications approved by the Architectural Review Committee without its prior written consent. Approval of any particular plan, specification or design shall not be a waiver of the right of the Architectural Review Committee to disapprove any such plan or specification or any element or feature thereof in the event the same is subsequently resubmitted by an owner.

- 5. Building setbacks. Except as provided under Article III 2(m) hereof, no structure, including without limitation the main dwelling and accessory structures, shall be located outside of the building restriction line (B.R.I.) shown on the plat.
- 6. Minimum Floor area. The floor area of any dwelling house erected on any lot, exclusive of basements, attached porches, breezeways, and garages, shall not be less than 1400 square feet for a one story dwelling, nor less than 1500 square feet for a one and one-half story dwelling, nor less than 1500 square feet for a two story dwelling. No dwelling, outbuilding or other structure shall be more than 30 feet above ground level, and no roof pitch shall be less than 5/12 for any primary roof however dormers and pitch roofs shall have a roof pitch of no less than 3/12.
- 7. Foundations. No dwellings and other permanent structures shall have exposed block foundations.
- 8. Rules and Regulations. The Architectural Review Committee may from time to time adopt statements of policy, standards, guidelines and establish criteria relating to architectural styles, details, fences, colors, setbacks, materials, location of improvements, landscaping plans, and other matters relative to

architectural control as it may consider necessary and appropriate. No such rules, regulations, and statements shall be constructed as a waiver of the provisions of this Article or any other provision or requirement of this Declaration, and a decision of the Architectural Review Committee as to such matters shall be final.

ARTICLE III

1. Residential use. Each lot may be improved only be a main dwelling

or residence for the occupancy of one family, together with an in-the-ground swimming pool accessory to the main dwelling.

2. Prohibited uses. No noxious or offensive trade, or business, shall be carried on upon any lot nor shall anything be

done or kept there on which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighbors. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

- (a) No speaker, horn, whistle, siren, bell, amplifier or other sound device, except such devices as may be used exclusively for security purposes, shall be maintained on the exterior of any dwelling, or other structure constructed on any lot. No snowmobiles, go-carts, motor bikes, trail bikes, all-terrain vehicles or other loud engine recreation vehicles shall be operated on any lot or upon the roadways within The Meadows.
- (b) No animals, livestock, poultry or other fowl of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except a total of three (3) dogs, cats or other household pets, provided that the same are confined and do not roam at large, or become a source of annoyance to the neighbors.
- (c) No lumber, metal, bulk materials, refuse or trash shall be allowed to accumulate on any lot, except building materials during the course of construction of any approved structure.
- (d) No burning of trash shall be permitted. Trash and refuse containers shall be stored in such a manner as to not be visible from the roadways or other lots within The Meadows, except for being placed out on the day on which they are regularly picked up.
- (e) No commercial boats and no boats over 25 feet long, unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicles, commercial vehicles, house trailers, tractors, or other similar vehicles or pieces of equipment shall be kept upon any lot unless stored or parked within garages. No motor vehicles of any kind shall be regularly parked upon any of the roadways within The Meadows. Boats 25 feet long and under are permitted on the lot only if buffered by landscaping from adjoining properties or located within a garage.
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- (g) Except for entrance, directional, traffic control, or safety and promotional signs by Declarant, no signs or advertising devices of any nature shall be maintained on any lot; provided, however, that one temporary "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign not exceeding five(5) square feet in area may be erected. Any such real estate sign shall be removed promptly following the sale or rental of the property.
- (h) No structure, planting, or other material shall be placed or permitted to remain upon any lot which may damage or interfere with any easement for the installation or maintenance of utilities, or which may unreasonably change, obstruct or retard the direction or flow of any drainage ways.
 - (i) Vegetable gardens are not permitted in front yards.

- (j) Satellite dishes or other transmitting or receiving antennae and any similar large structure and drying yards and similar utility areas may be located outside of a dwelling provided the same is landscaped so as to minimize visibility from the roadway and other lots in The Meadows.
- $\mbox{(k)}$ No exterior lighting shall be placed or fixed in such a manner as to cause a concentrated beam to be directed outside the boundaries of any lot.
 - (1) No fences shall be permitted without prior specific approval.
- (m) Outbuildings/storage structures and in ground swimming pools shall be permitted as accessory structures; provided, they are placed on permanent foundations and architecturally and aesthetically compatible with the main dwelling as determined by the Architectural Review Committee in their sole and absolute discretion. Provided further, that all such structures may be located not less than twenty feet from any property line. No above ground pools shall be permitted.
- $\mbox{\ensuremath{(n)}}$ No "pods" or other similar temporary storage structures shall be permitted on any lot.
- (o) Hunting is strictly prohibited and no firearms may be discharged on any lot at any time.
- and all improvements thereon, in good order and repair including but not limited to the seeding, watering and mowing of grass, the pruning and cutting of all trees and shrubbery, and the painting, or other appropriate external care, of all buildings and other structures in the manner and with the frequency that is consistent with good property management.

ARTICLE IV

ARTICLE V

1. Construction and Enforcement. The provisions hereof shall be liberally construed for the purpose of creating a uniform plan of development

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for The Meadows. These provisions shall run with and bind the land and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Declarant, the Architectural Review Committee and the owner of the leasehold or fee simple interest (but not reversionary or mortgagee interest) of any lot, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns. Violation of any restriction, condition or covenant herein shall give Declarant, in addition to all other remedies, (1) the right to enter upon the land as to which such violation exists and to summarily abate and remove, at the expense of the owner, such violation, and Declarant shall not thereby be deemed guilty of any manner of trespass for such entry, abatement or control, or for any damages resulting therefrom, and (2) the right to apply for relief by injunction since all parties agree that any breach of this Declaration cannot be compensated adequately for the recovery of damages. The failure or forbearance of Declarant, or the owner of any lot, to enforce any restriction or covenant therein shall not be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter, nor shall it be deemed selective enforcement of any such restriction or covenant.

- 2. Duration and Amendment. The covenants, agreements, conditions, reservations, restrictions, and charges created and established herein, or any one or more of them, may be waived, and charges created and established herein, or any one or more of them may be waived, abandoned and terminated, modified, altered or changed, in whole or in part, as to any lot or group of with the written consent of the owners of a majority of the total number of lots in the entire tract, as may be increased from time to time. joinder of mortgagees or other holders of a security interest shall not be required.) No such waiver, abandonment, termination, modification or alteration shall become effective until a proper instrument in writing shall be executed and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Queen Anne's County, Maryland. Provided, however, that this provision shall have no application so long as the Declarant shall be the owner of any lots, unless said Declarant shall evidence its consent to such waiver, abandonment, termination, modification or alteration, by joining in the execution of such instrument in writing. Otherwise, the provisions of this Declaration of Restrictions shall remain in perpetuity.
- 3. Assignability. Any and all rights, titles, easements and estates given to or reserved by Declarant in this instrument, including all the powers (including discretionary powers), duties and obligations given to, assumed by, or imposed upon Declarant by this instrument may be assigned and transferred, in whole or in part, to one or more persons or entities agreeing to assume, exercise, carry out and perform the same. The Declarant may, at any time deemed advisable by it, cause any or all of said rights, titles, easements and estates to be conveyed to an association and to pay such dues and assessments as may be levied from time to time by a majority vote of the association, provided that only lot owners in The Meadows, not mortgagees, shall be eligible for membership in said association and, provided further, that transfer shall be made by an appropriate written instrument in which the assignee or transferee shall join for the purpose of evidencing his, its or their consent to the acceptance and assumption of such powers, duties and obligations, and such assignee or transferee shall thereupon have the same powers and be subject to the same duties and obligations as are herein given to, assumed by or imposed upon Declarant, Declarant thereupon being released therefrom.

- 4. Acceptance. Every person who now or hereafter owns or acquires any right, title or interest in or to any portion of The Meadows is and shall be conclusively deemed to have consented and agreed to every restriction and covenant contained herein, whether or not any reference to this Declaration of Restrictions and Covenants is contained in the instrument by which such person acquired any interest in any lot forming a part of The Meadows and subject to this Declaration.
- 5. Notices. Any notice required to be sent to any person under the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed to have been properly sent when mailed, by ordinary mail, postage paid, to the address of the recipient as reflected on the Real Estate Tax Assessment Records of Queen Anne's County, Maryland, at the time of such mailing.

Reservation.

- a. Declarant reserves the right to grade, change the grade of, or regrade any street, road or lane shown on any recorded plat relating to the land contained in said subdivision; and said Declarant shall have the further right, before sale, to change the size of, and to locate or relocate any of the lots shown on the recorded plat of the subdivision. However, nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting further subdivision, resubdivision, or lot line adjustment as to any of the lands governed hereby, provided appropriate governmental approval is obtained, whether before or after sale.
- b. Declarant reserves the right to geographically enlarge the subdivision subject to this Declaration thereby increasing the total number of lots. If Declarant exercises this right, this Declaration will be amended and recorded as in the case of the original. Once amended, these covenants shall be interpreted as if the "new" lots were a part of the original
- 7. Severability. In case of one or more restrictions and covenants contained in this Declaration shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such holding shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Declaration shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable restriction or covenant had never been contained herein.
- 8. Captions. The Captions contained herein are for convenience only and are not a part hereof and are not intended in any way to limit or enlarge the terms and provisions of this Declaration.

WITNESS our hands and seals as of the day and year first above written.

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MICHAPI J. BOZEK, Member

ZEK PELDPMENZ, LLC

STATE OF MARYLAND

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this 31 day of 0.5, 200%, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public for the aforesaid State and County, personally appeared MICHAEL J. BOZEK, who acknowledged himself to be a Member of Bozek Development, LLC, a Maryland Limited Liability Company, and he as such Member, being authorized so to do, executed the aforegoing instrument for the purposes therein set forth.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within instrument was prepared by or under the supervision of an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Maryland.

Robert R. Price, III

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DECLARATION OF COVENANT FOR DEFERRED SEWER A NWE'S COUNTY SERVICE CAPITAL COSTS

This Declaration is made this 3 day of Octo Ben, 2008, by Bozek by logar, Whereinafter referred to as "OWNER" or "DECLARANT").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, DECLARANT is the owner of those tracts, parcels or lots of land more particularly described in "EXHIBIT A - LEGAL DESCRIPTION" attached hereto, and incorporated herein (said land is hereinafter referred to as the "LOT" or "LOTS"); and

WHEREAS, DECLARANT incurred the costs of construction and installation of sewer pipes in the streets abutting the LOTS, sewer connections from sewer pipes in the streets to each individual lot line, sewer transmission lines, and the cost of maintaining same until such time as the Town of Church Hill (hereinafter referred to as the "TOWN") agrees to accept responsibility for same; all of such pipes connections and transmission lines are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "SEWER FACILITIES"; and

WHEREAS, DECLARANT intends to establish charges upon the aforesaid lots whereby the costs of construction and installation of SEWER FACILITIES paid by DECLARANT are to be paid by the owner or owners of the LOT or LOTS, their respective personal or legal representatives, successors, and assigns, in annual installments over a period of thirty-three (33) years, such payments are hereinafter referred to as "SEWER FACILITIES CHARGES", and

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WHEREAS, the maintenance after construction of said SEWER FACILITIES, to the extent these are located within the streets and are not located within an individual lot, is to the responsibility of DECLARANT or its agents until such time as the TOWN assumes the responsibility for such maintenance;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises recited above, the mutual covenants herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the DECLARANT hereby declares and establishes that each LOT shall be subject to the following covenants, agreements, conditions, rights, obligations, and charges, intending that said covenants and agreements stated herein shall run with and bind each LOT and any premises and

part thereof, and the future owners of each LOT, and each of their respective personal representatives, executors, administrators, heirs, successors and assigns.

ONE: Each of the aforesaid LOTS shall be subject to this DECLARATION and the annual SEWER FACILITIES CHARGES, representing annual charges for the construction and installation of sewer pipes in the street to each individual lot line, sewer transmission lines and any other sewer facility to be used in connection therewith, which SEWER FACILITIES CHARGES shall constitute a lien or encumbrance with the land with respect to which each said charge is made.

TWO: By acceptance of title to any of the LOT or LOTS, the owner, from the time of acquiring title thereto, shall be held to have covenanted and agreed to pay to DECLARANT, its successors and assigns, all charges provided for in this DECLARATION, due and unpaid at the time the parcel owner acquires title, and all charges thereafter falling due as long as said

parcel owner shall hold title of record, without the right in any event to reimbursement from the DECLARANT for charges which the parcel owner may pay in advance. A certificate in writing, signed by a representative of DECLARANT, its successors or assigns, will be given on demand to any parcel owner liable for said charges, setting forth the status of such charges with respect to the parcel in question and in reference to which an inquiry is made, and such certificate in favor of any one relying thereon to his damage shall be binding on DECLARANT, its successors and assigns.

THREE: The SEWER FACILITIES CHARGES shall commence on January 1, 2007, and continue for a period of thirty-three (33) years on an annual basis, and will terminate, except as to those charges unpaid, on December 31, 2040. All such annual charges shall be due and payable in advance on the first day of January of each and every year thereafter until paid in full.

FOURTH: The annual SEWER FACILITIES CHARGES, payable by the owners of each lot shall be Three Hundred and Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$368.00) and each of the lots subject to this DECLARATION shall be liable for the annual charge.

FIFTH: All SEWER FACILITIES CHARGES payable in accordance with the DECLARATION shall be payable to DECLARANT, its successors and assigns, in accordance with billings issued from time to

time by DECLARANT, its successors and assigns. Failure to receive a SEWER FACILITIES CHARGE invoice does not relieve an owner of his/her/its liability to pay the SEWER FACILITIES CHARGE or interest.

SIXTH: If any such charges remain unpaid for sixty (60) days after becoming due, there shall be a delinquent charge of one percent (1%) per month beginning sixty (60) days after the due date; DECLARANT may collect the delinquent charges by any action or complaint at law or in equity, or by such other legal proceedings as DECLARANT may deem appropriate, and any judgment or decree obtained, where the defendants have been served by summons or subpoena, shall have the force and effect of a judgment in personam. DECLARANT may sue, or file a bill in equity to enforce such charges, against the owner of record at the time such suit is filed or any owner of record between such date, and publication thereof shall be notice to all persons having any interest in the property.

SEVENTH: The Declarant shall annually notify each property owner subject to payment of the fee of the annual amount due, the remaining term, and the total balance.

EIGHTH: Prepayment of the sewer facilities charge is allowed at any time without penalty of all or part of the fee by discounting the annualized payments at an interest rate of six percent to determine their equivalent present worth.

NINTH: The Declarant shall notify the lot owner in writing if the right to collect the sewer assessment is assigned.

TENTH: Any lot owner selling a lot shall attach a copy of this Declaration to any contract of sale for said lot.

ELEVENTH: No sale, lease, mortgage, disposition or transfer of the aforesaid LOT or LOTS shall be made or operate otherwise than subject to the aforesaid covenants, agreements, conditions and charges herein contained shall run with and bind the land, each and all of the above mentioned parcels and premises and every part thereof, the Grantees, its successors and assigns, and the present and future owners of each of the parcels and each of their respective personal representatives, executors, administrators, heirs, successors and assigns.

TWELFTH: The DECLARANT shall have the right to assign, pledge or in any other fashion encumber to any party, in whole or in part, its right and obligations set forth herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the signature of the party hereto.

DECLARANT:

Bozek Development, LIC

By:

Michael J. Royl, Mark

STATE OF MARYLAND

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COUNTY OF QUEEN ANNE'S)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on this <u>3/5</u> day of <u>0</u>, 2007, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Michael J. Bozek, a Member of Bozek Development, LLC, known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledges that he has executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _

EXHIBIT A - LEGAL DESCRIPTION

All those lots described as Lots 3 through 17 inclusive, shown on a plat entitled "Final Plat for The Meadows in the Town of Church Hill, Second Election District, Queen Anne's County, Maryland", prepared by McCrone, dated November 2005, and recorded among the Plat Records of Queen Anne's County in Plat Book 36, folio 29A.

BEING a part of the same land granted and conveyed unto Bozek Development, LLC, by deed dated December 28, 2005 from Reeand, LLC, and recorded among the Land Records of Queen Anne's County in Liber SM 1498, folio 126.